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### ANYTHING TO WIN

Never lose sight of the fact that with politicians like Cox and Burton it is "anything to win". They know how to set up a straw man to be knocked down in convention, and win when they appear to lose. It is an old trick, but it should fool only those who are "dead easy."

### ONLY ONE IN THAT CLASS

There is one plank in the state Democratic platform that means more to the people of Ohio than anything the Republican bosses will be able to put in the political hodge-podge that will be issued by their convention and called a platform.

Read it again: "Instead of protecting and defending grafters, as was the way of Republican officers, the present governor is having them prosecuted and sued for the return to the state of the many thousands of dollars secured by fraud and wrong-doing. Every agency at his command is being employed to bring to account officers who were recalcitrant to the trusts reposed in them by the people."

The Republican convention will not be able to say anything like that about Governor Herrick or Governor Harris.

### GARFIELD BLUNDERS AGAIN

Jimmy Garfield, the "99-cent" terror of the beef trust, is reported favoring a pledge in the state Republican platform for a public utilities law. It is said that "he argued that this was not only right, but good politics, since the Democrats in the senate defeated the Woods bill."

If Jimmy said anything like that he doesn't know any more about the defeat of the Woods bill than his "99-cent profit" report showed that he knew about the beef trust after examining the trust's books for Roosevelt four years ago.

The Woods bill was not defeated by Democrats, and if Jimmy doesn't know it he ought to know. It was defeated by nine Republican senators voting against it and only nine Republican senators voting for it.

As the utilities bill introduced in the house by Woods of Medina was made a "party measure," sometimes called the Taft-Woods bill, the Democrats in the senate took the side they were expected to take on a Republican "party measure" and voted against it, leaving it to the Republican majority in the senate to pass or defeat the bill as it saw fit. Had all these 18 Republican senators voted for the bill it would have passed, but as the Republican majority split 9 to 9, responsibility for defeat of the bill rests upon the Republican side and not upon the Democratic minority.

### MILWAUKEE VACATION SCHOOLS

Vacation schools offer not a task but a privilege to those pupils who attend, and that it is so regarded applications and waiting lists show, says the Milwaukee Free Press. More would-be pupils apply than can possibly be accommodated. Book learning is not the mode at the vacation school, where the more social method of oral instruction with demonstration takes its place, since entertainment as well as instruction is the aim, and pupils are introduced to a form of knowledge which will give them new resources for their leisure hours. Instead of memorizing or poring over figures the eager classes are given manual training, gymnastics, and, best of all, are taken to the parks or the country once a week for nature study, or to vacant lots to learn something about flowers and vegetable gardening.

## SHALL THE COUNTRY TOWN CEASE TO EXIST?

Evils of Centralization Can Be Overcome Only by Decentralization.

BY O. A. CHARLES.

[Copyright by O. A. Charles, 1910.] In this country we are face to face with a great economic question that involves the very existence of every country town in the United States.

For more than a generation the cities have grown at the expense of the country until the congestion of population in those huge aggregations of humanity has become a menace to the perpetuity of the nation. Human degeneracy ending in pauperism and crime have proved to be the inevitable consequence of substituting the tenement for the home and rearing children in the alleys and on the asphalt instead of in the midst of gardens and green fields.

The increasing tendency of crime in cities has become a recognized fact. The type of citizens bred in an environment from which the humanizing influences of nature have been shut out loses all human sympathy and furnishes material for mobs that promise to some day repeat in the streets of every American city the fiendish atrocities of the French revolution. Is there no remedy? What then is the antidote for this social poison? There is an antidote—a preventive and a cure, and there is but one—it is decentralization.

Trade must be decentralized. Industry must be decentralized. Commerce must be decentralized. Decentralization must be the watchword of a stupendous national movement that will take hold of the patriotic impulses and grip the heart strings of the people of this nation.

One of two things is going to happen to this country. The already overgrown and congested cities will continue to rob the country towns of their trade and population and to absorb a larger proportion of the population until destruction faces the nation, or the economic forces that have been sweeping humanity and industry into the great cities will be checked and reversed and thousands of small industrial centers and country towns and villages will absorb the rapidly increasing millions who comprise the vast army of industry. Which will you have? President Roosevelt said, "I would rather the country be made up of a great number of flourishing small towns and villages than to see immense cities grow at the expense of rural communities." The influences and forces that are at work to promote trade centralization and to absorb into the cities the work of commercial distribution now done by the country merchants are most ingeniously appealing to the cupidity of the rural people.

To convince them that the only question involved is the alleged advantage of wholly eliminating the country merchant as a distributing agency it is contended that the country merchant makes a profit on all the goods he sells and that his customers could save that profit to themselves by trading with the big cities through the postoffice instead of at the home trader.

In nine cases out of ten goods ordered by mail from a catalogue all things considered, including quality, cost the customer more than goods bought at the country store after a personal inspection. In the rare cases where a small immediate saving might be made by trading through the postoffice for every cent so saved, there is a larger direct loss that will in the long run come back like a boomerang to the postoffice trader.

This is true when nothing is considered but the purely selfish effect of this act upon one's own profit and property interest. Market and farm values roads schools and the thousand and one social relations and community advantages that exert a reflex action on farm life.

The home market is the best market for the farmer as well as the mechanic laborer and all other people. Governor Folk of Missouri once said: "I have no use for the mail order

1,000 yds. Col'd Lawns 4c

50 cool summer patterns in sheer lawns at 4c

All best Calicos - - - 5c

A newly opened case of all colors at 5c

10c Batistes & Lawns - 6 1/4c

10c colored lawns and batistes in big assortment 6 1/4c

Table Oilcloths - 13c

Splendid value in white and colors at 13c

\$1.25 Umbrellas 89c

America taffeta top; mission or fancy handles.

Women's 12 1/2c Vests, 7c

Women's Good 12 1/2c low neck sleeveless vests—Extra special 7c

Woman's extra fine vests 50c

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Women's 25c quality vests, 15c

36-in. Percales and Madras, 7 1/2c

Good wide dress percales and printed madras in good patterns 7 1/2c

Extra Special at . . 7 1/2c

All 10c dress Gingham and Seersucker Gingham and several hundred yards perfect mill length 7 1/2c

Men's 25c Colored Hose . . . 13c

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Towel Specials

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full bleached and good

weight, for . . . 7c

Good quality 15c

Huck towels, some

slightly soiled . . . 9c

Toweling

Pure Linen toweling

18 in. wide, worth

12 1/2c . . . 7 1/2c

Bleached Russia

Crash linen, 10c grade

for . . . 6 1/4c

14 in. bleached crash

a yard . . . 4 1/2c

All Striped Motor Cloths, 10c

All Woolen Dress Goods 20 per cent off

## SERIOUS

Injury Sustained By A Man Near Millwood

Millwood, O., July 14—Emory Fry, residing near here, met with a most serious accident yesterday morning. He was crossing a field when he was chased by a steer and finally fell to the ground and was trampled under the animal's hoofs. Several ribs were crushed in on his right side and his condition is now reported to be quite serious.

### McGUFFEY AND THE POETS

(Chicago Record-Herald)

William H. McGuffey has been proposed for a niche in the Hall of Fame. There are many people in this country who have never heard of McGuffey, but their parents will be able to explain to them what he did. If it had not been for him how many of the middle-aged citizens of the United States would ever have learned by heart such poems as "The Old Arm Chair," "The Village Blacksmith," "The Burial of Sir John Moore," "Thanatopsis," "A Psalm of Life," "Elegy in a Country Churchyard," "The Raven," "Lochinvar" and "The Landing of the Pilgrim Fathers?" It was McGuffey who made Longfellow and Bryant and Poe and Mrs. Hemans and Eliza Cook and Fitzgerald Hallack and N. P. Willis famous.

Dozens of others whose names have become household words would never have been known to the populace if it had not been for McGuffey. Nor did his influence die when his readers were discarded by the Public School Boards of the land. Other compilers have availed themselves of his work. They have taken his books, rearranged the contents and banded them down to the sons and daughters of the people who got them direct from McGuffey. Emerson might be as well and as favorably known in America as Bryant and Longfellow are if he had written a few poems that McGuffey could have used.

One of the reasons—perhaps the only good reason—why present-day poets are not popular is that there is no McGuffey to put their poems in the readers now in use. McGuffey shut out all the poets who were to come after him. By furnishing later compilers with material and thereby making it unnecessary for them to do any more than pick from his collections such "pieces" as they may require he has put the modern poets at a disadvantage which they can never hope to overcome.

McGuffey may deserve a place in the Hall of Fame, but the poets who are at present plugging away will hardly become enthusiastic supporters of the proposition to put him in.

## DATE

Of The Big County Picnic Wednesday Aug. 10

Arrangements Being Made For The Event

As Thursday is an especially busy day in some lines, the executive committee of the Citizens' association determined yesterday to change the date of the big county picnic from Thursday, Aug. 11 to Wednesday August 10. The Citizens' Association has secured the services of Court Bailiff Purcell to help them in completing the details of the picnic. Last year, the committee raised and expended nearly \$500 in providing entertainment; this year, it is hoped, an even larger amount may be secured.

### On the Trail.

"Do you see that man going along with his head in the air, sniffing with his nose?"

"Yes. I know him."

"I suppose he believes in taking in the good, pure ozone."

"No. He's hunting for a motor garage, I believe."—London Sketch.

### Kept Apart.

"If women would only be bolder," declared the suffragette, "and just stand shoulder to shoulder we'd win the ballot yet."

But one woman candidly told her: "We can't stand shoulder to shoulder. We'd get our hats all crushed."—Louisville Courier-Journal.

## OBITUARY

Mrs. Jacob Greer died at her home in Danville Thursday morning at about five o'clock after a two weeks' illness caused by a cancer. She was seventy-one years of age at the time of her death and is survived by her husband, two sons, two daughters and several brothers and sisters. The arrangements for the funeral have not yet been made.

### Mrs. Chandler Gore

Sara Chandler Gore died at her home about three miles west of Fredericktown Monday after a several months' illness caused by cancer. She was sixty years of age at the time of her death and is survived by her husband, four sisters and one brother. The funeral at Salem church Tuesday afternoon at one thirty o'clock. Revs. Jones and Smith officiating. Interment in the Salem church cemetery.

## LECTURES AT THE ASSEMBLY

The Hon. James A. Leonard, superintendent of the Mansfield reformatory, and a former superintendent of the public schools of Youngstown, O., is one of the prominent men who will appear on the program at Hiawatha Lake assembly. His experience as an educator and as a prison manager has kept him in very close touch with the youth of Ohio, and he has gained valuable information that enables him to answer most intelligently and interestingly the question, "Why These Broken Vessels?" Supt. Leonard will fill one of the afternoon hours. Parents and young men and women should make every effort to hear this address, as the subject is a most important one.



## SEVERELY

Bitten By A Dog Was A Young Child

The eight-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Barney Burns of Fredericktown, was severely bitten by a dog while playing near her home on Thursday morning at about eight o'clock. The child approached the dog from the rear, and being deaf, it did not hear her until she touched it with her hand. This frightened the animal and it quickly turned and seized her face with its teeth. The left eyelid was severely lacerated, but on examination Dr. J. H. Norrick, who was called in attendance, found that the sight of the eye would not be impaired.

### ADMINISTRATOR'S SALE OF REAL ESTATE

Notice is hereby given that the undersigned, by virtue of an order of the Probate Court of Knox county, Ohio, will offer for sale at public sale, at the south door of the Court House, in Mt. Vernon, Ohio, on

Saturday, August 13, 1910,

between the hours of one and three o'clock, p. m., the following described real estate, situate in Buckeye City, Knox county, Ohio, and more particularly described as being the north half of lot one, and the north half of the west half of lot two in the village of Buckeye City, formerly Rossville, in said county, and state, said lots are located on Danville street in said village of Buckeye City, in block bounded by Danville street on the west, Ross street on the south, Millwood street on the east, and on the north by grounds of The Cleveland, Akron and Columbus Railway Company.

Terms of sale—One-third cash on day of sale, one-third in one year, and one-third in two years; deferred payments to bear interest from day of sale and be secured by mortgage on the premises sold.

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### TO ARRANGE FOR KOREAN ANNEXATION

Tokio, July 14—Announcement is made that Lieut. Gen. Viscount Terachi, the Japanese Resident General of Korea, will depart tomorrow for Seoul. It is the general belief that he goes to confer with Emperor Yi-Syok in regard to the completion of the necessary formalities for the annexation of Korea to Japan.

\*\*\*The Dowds family reunion will occur at Lake Hiawatha park on August 9th.

\*\*\*The degree staff of the Pythian Sisters is requested to be present Friday evening as there will be initiation.

## AMEETING PLACE

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The New Knox National Bank Mt. Vernon, Ohio

### FOR ODD FELLOWS' HOME

Cooperstown, S. D., July 14—Several hundred members of the New York State Bankers' Association, including many of the most prominent bankers and financiers of the state, were on hand today at the opening of the association's annual convention. The sessions, which are being held at the O-T-Sa-Ga hotel on Otsego lake, will continue over tomorrow.